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WATER WILL ATTAIN HEIGHT OF 200 FEET IN RESERVOIR TODAY

Steady Gains of Last Few Days, Averaging About 10,000 Acre Feet Each Twenty-four Hours, Bring New Record

DAM CELEBRATION NEEDS NEW NAME

Thaw and Warm Rain Would Bring Full Complement of Moisture in Short Time—Snow Plentiful on Hills

Why is the water in the reservoir like the democratic administration? inquires a subscriber, and then he supplies the answer to the riddle, as follows:

"Because we have enough of the 'dammed' stuff to last us a long time."

Today the elevation of the water behind the Roosevelt dam will have attained the mark to which Phoenix has been looking a long time—two hundred feet. The contents will be read something like 20,000 acre feet under a million acre feet. Daily gains the last few days have averaged about 10,000 to 14,000 acre feet, and the highest of the flood pouring over the intake dam has not materially dropped within the last few hours. It is just about sure that 10,000 more will slip over into the big drink again today.

Under the new arrangement with the reclamation service, the Republic is getting the latest possible reservoir readings for its subscribers. An observation is made especially for the Republic and phoned in shortly after 6 o'clock each evening.

Last night's reading was:
Elevation, feet 199 1/2
Contents, a. f. 971,922
Over intake dam, feet 1 1/2

High Water Day.
In appreciation of the fact that there is enough of the Roosevelt dammed water to last the valley a long time, and in order to help get the fact before the world, the citizens have concluded to pull off a celebration at the dam the middle of next month. It was aimed to call it the Million Acre Feet Jubilee, but developments within the last few days have indicated that it may be necessary to raise the ante. The million mark, it is confidently expected, will be reached within the next four days. Unless the temperature drops still further among the hills, it will take less time than that to impound this wealthy sounding amount of moisture in the reservoir.

On the other hand, should a sudden rise in temperature take place—followed by fortunate warm rains, it is quite certain that the water will rise up and pass in a solid sheet over the spillway, 25 feet higher than its elevation today.

In order to build up this additional 25 feet, it will be necessary for 367,000 acre feet to be added to the supply. Then the lake will be full to running over.

Each day—in fact, each second brings a new high record. The water has been gaining every instant since the beginning of the heavy rains on December 17.

Snow is Plentiful.

Every few days snow reports come by wire from the forest and weather service stations situated among the high hills and valleys of the Sierras Archaes and White Mountains. Each message tells of new high snow records for the year. Twenty years ago, snow conditions in the central mountain region of Arizona equaled those of today. But not in forty years has snow been so deep on the flats. Particularly welcome to the ranchers is this information, for it gives practically positive assurance that the lake will be filled for the first time during the coming spring, unless an almost unprecedented temperature condition exists during the thaw period—permitting the huge heaps of accumulated snow to evaporate, instead of running off as snow-water—there can be no doubt that the 367,000 acre feet needed to bring the reservoir will be added to the present record contents.

TO FIGHT AT HAVANA

EL PASO, March 7.—Willard's manager announced the fight for the heavyweight championship of the world will be staged at Havana the first week in April. Willard will soon leave Los Angeles for Havana.

Villa's Army Prepares For An Attack On Vera Cruz

[Associated Press Dispatch]

EL PASO, March 7.—The main army of General Pancho Villa, entrained at Guadalupe today, and started for Agua Calientes. The number of troops was not given out tonight.

This is the initial movement in the expected attack on the Carranza garrisons at Vera Cruz and Tampico. Duval West and George C. Carothers,

HARRY K. THAW FACES TRIAL TODAY

NEW YORK, March 7.—The trial of Harry K. Thaw, on charges of conspiracy in connection with his escape from Matteawan asylum, where he was confined as an insane man, following his shooting of Stanford White, will begin here tomorrow. When the case was reached a week ago it was put over to March 8. Justice Page will preside, in the criminal term of the supreme court. With Thaw will be arraigned the other members of the group charged with conspiracy in carrying through the escape.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM IS INDEFINITE

Finishing Touches Will Probably Be Put on Land and Prohibition Measures—Must Hury on Appropriation Bill

What the legislature would bring forth in the last four days, of the session no member of either house last night was willing to predict. There was a rumor, not credited by the leaders of either faction that the governor on Tuesday would transmit a message recommending mine tax legislation but the members of the senate who have been active in behalf of such legislation state that they have no plans and have had none lately, looking to the enactment of such legislation.

The land bill will probably be prepared for transmission to the house today, and the final touches will probably be put on the pending prohibition bill.

There is no lack of casus belli in the house. There for instance, is the Cook mine-tax bill which will probably furnish food for debate in another heated session but it is not expected by its proponents or its opponents that the course of the stars will be changed by the result.

At the rate of progress made by the house on the general appropriation bill it cannot dispose of it and get it before the senate in time for a serious deliberation of it there. Though probably all of the senate members have acquainted themselves with the matter contained in the bill they have had no opportunity for bringing conflicting opinions together for adjustment and will not have such an opportunity until almost on the eve of adjournment.

There was more talk yesterday of a continued session without pay for the disposition of the more important pending measures but some of the house members, though who have been opposing mine tax legislation say that they will not consent to remain unless an agreement is reached that no part of the time shall be occupied by a mine tax bill.

One member last night gave this slant to the situation. Said he: "We want to put the tax commission on trial. We will not consent to a mine tax bill at this session for this reason: we want to do away with a special plan for the legislation of any class of property or prove that it cannot be dispensed with in the case of mines."

SUPERIOR COURT TO PASS ON LAIRD PARDON CASE TODAY

[Special to The Republican]

FLORENCE, March 7.—Whether Gov. Hunt of the new parole board has the pardoning power is the question which will be decided today by Judge Otis J. Baughn of the superior court of Pinal county, when the habeas corpus proceedings filed by Knox Laird, a state prisoner come up for decision.

Laird, who was serving a 10 year term for manslaughter, was granted an unconditional pardon by the governor February 25. The pardon was sent to

representatives of the Washington government will accompany Villa. Private advices from Mexico City state that learning of the intention of foreign diplomats to leave the city, General Zapata invited them to join him at his Cuernavaca headquarters. The Zapata troops continue their fierce attacks on the southern extremity of the city, it is said.

WILHELMINA IS DETERMINED TO STAY NEUTRAL

Queen of Holland Displays Wonderful Singleness of Mind With Cabinet as Well as With Her Beloved People

RECOGNIZES THE DELICATE SITUATION

Cabinet, Acting in Conjunction With the Young Monarch, Calls Forces to Arms and is Easily Prepared for Eventualities

[Associated Press Dispatch]

THE HAGUE, Holland, March 7.—Queen Wilhelmina has displayed wonderful singleness of mind with her cabinet and her people in their determination to uphold the dignity as well as the neutrality of Holland. The queen's popularity has, if possible, increased with her years, and the government, the foreign relations, the defenses and the social condition of the Netherlands are her constant care.

At the beginning of hostilities, the queen and her ministers immediately recognized the delicate situation of Netherlands, lying on the seashore together with Belgium as a buffer between the powerful German and British empires and with its territory temptingly open to violation by either belligerent.

The Dutch cabinet, always acting in conjunction with the young monarch, decided to call its defensive forces to arms and the Netherlands troops were, in fact, completely mobilized and prepared for eventualities even before the armies of the warring powers had been brought up to war footing. Since those anxious days in the beginning of August the Netherlands army has been in constant training under the watchful eye of its commander-in-chief and ruler, who day after day rides out on horseback to some point of military concentration and inspects the men, from whom she often inquires personally as to their comfort and condition.

The soldiers, kept away from their families for months although their country is not at war, are greatly cheered by these visits. The queen shows them every sympathy and encourages them to exercise patience in carrying out their trying patriotic duties.

Her majesty decided to refrain from ceremonial functions while the war continued and her meetings with courtiers and diplomats have been of a purely informal nature ever since the war began.

The queen's mode of living is of the utmost plainness consonant with her position. She is as a rule kept busy with state affairs but every moment when she can break away from her sovereign duties is given to the supervision of the training and education of her little daughter the Princess Juliana. Prince Henry, the queen's consort, has entirely obliterated his personality from Dutch affairs of state during these trying times and he never by any

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of mines. We want to put it up to the tax commission. If the commission makes a failure of it and it turns out that the people wish it had been done some other way, the mining people the next time will control the legislature, but through any kind of a tax bill they choose and abolish the commission. We are using bribery to make a success of taxing the mines, one of the chief causes of obstruction to general legislation will be 'permanently removed.'

Warden R. B. Sims of the prison, who declined to give Laird his liberty on the ground that the new law creating the board of pardons and paroles was in direct conflict with the constitution and that he was uncertain as to what course to pursue. Laird, through his attorney filed application for his release on a writ of habeas corpus last week, and the matter will come before Judge Baughn today for decision.

The governor's action in pardoning Laird immediately raised the question of the status of the new law and the board of pardons and paroles created at the November election and started a test case, which will be carried up to the supreme court for decision. It is stated that whatever Judge Baughn's decision today, attorneys for Laird or the attorney general will have the appeal filed with the higher tribunal in record time. The five men sentenced to hang March 19 are taking no chances, and have filed their applications for clemency with the new board and the same were considered at the last meeting. The board, however, has taken no action. The governor's action in pardoning Laird has been severely criticized in certain sections of the state, especially in Gila county where he was convicted.

LONG BATTLE FORESEEN IN TERRE HAUTE GOVERNMENT TO HAVE 400-WITNESSES; DEFENSE NEARLY AS MANY



Left to right, top: Judge A. B. Anderson, E. E. Talbot and Judge Eli Redman. Bottom, Mayor Donn M. Roberts, Representative A. O. Stanley and former Chief of Police J. Edward Holler.

OVER ONE HUNDRED TERRE HAUTE POLITICIANS ON TRIAL TODAY

STARVATION IS FEAR AT MEXICO CITY

Hunger Confronts Residents if Obregon Stays—Riots if He Departs, Say Wires from the Mexican Capital

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Starvation confronts Mexico City if General Obregon stays and rioting if he evacuates the city, it is reported. It is a very serious condition, high officials state.

Talk among diplomats of intervention perhaps by a coalition of the South American powers, is discounted because of geographical and other obstacles to the plan.

The desperate condition of affairs is a story that has been suppressed by General Carranza's rigid censorship. Two communications were sent to American Consul Stillman at Vera Cruz today for presentation to Carranza. Both phrased in strong and explicit terms, pointing out the serious consequences possible if foreigners are injured in rioting at the capital or if they are unable to get food.

At the embassies and legations here dispatches were received from Mexico City telling of the alarming conditions. General Carranza's orders to General Obregon prohibiting the populace using money issued by General Villa, before his departure have made many Mexicans penniless. Bread is almost unobtainable. Many bakeries are using bran and extortionate prices are charged. Charcoal for cooking is being sold for 15 pesos a sack and was formerly one peso.

Trains from Mexico City that carry refugees to Vera Cruz are where the public learns developments except through old American newspapers.

The vilest rumors are often spread in Vera Cruz. One recent report was that the British marines landed at Tuxtepec. Another was that Washington had sent an ultimatum to General Carranza and another that France and Great Britain are urging Spain to take an active part for intervention.

The Carranza agency here denies reports of the Mexico City troubles and charges that the water supply is short due to Zapata's activities. It says that Obregon will leave his garrison on marching to attack Villa.

CARRANZA FORCE RETURNS

DOUGLAS, March 7.—A Carranza force sent from Agua Prieta last night by General Calles to engage the advance of the Villistas threatening that town, returned to their encampment. There is a report of a skirmish and the retreat of the Villa advance guard toward Caballona, where its main body is said to be. There were slight casualties on both sides.

Are Charged With Election Frauds in November Election, Indicted by U. S. Grand Jury, Must Face Judge Anderson Today

[Special to The Republican]

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 7.—Trial is set for tomorrow of the 126 politicians, including many city officials of Terre Haute, indicted by the United States district grand jury last December, charged with election frauds in the election held last November. Judge A. B. Anderson, who has overruled demurrers filed by 27 of the defendants, will hear the case. The charge is conspiracy to corrupt the election of November 3. Many of the defendants have confessed, 115 have been arrested, and 31 have entered pleas of not guilty. Among the latter are Donn M. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute; Eli H. Redman, judge of the Vigo county court; Dennis Shea, sheriff; Thomas Smith, city judge; Harry S. Montgomery, president of the board of works; Elmer E. Talbot, city controller; George Ehrenhardt, member of the board of seals and measures; Edward Driscoll, of the city engineer's office; and Hilton Redman, attorney, son of Judge Redman.

The defendants will be represented by Congressman A. O. Stanley of Kentucky, former judge Frank S. Roby, Finley P. Mount and Clarence S. Nichols. Frank C. Bailey, United States district attorney, will handle

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FLEET FINDS FORTS ARE HARD NUTS TO CRACK

Having Damaged Two Forts on European Side of Dardanelles, Allied Ships Begin Firing on the Asiatic Side

[Associated Press Dispatch]

LONDON, March 7.—Having damaged two forts on the European side of the narrows, the British battleship Queen Elizabeth, and the allied fleet, Saturday began a bombardment by indirect firing on the forts on the Asiatic side of the narrows. The forts are hard nuts to crack. The Turkish army, equipped with modern German guns, is concentrating on the Gallipoli peninsula to oppose the landing of troops. Naval experts say that until the army is disposed of, the ships are unsafe in the straits.

Constantinople announces that the bombardment of the Dardanelles batteries by six hostile warships Sunday.

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CHARTER CHANGES WILL LEND MORE INTEREST TO ELECTION

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GREECE FACES WAR WITH TURKS AND GERMANY

While the King is Exerting Every Influence to Maintain Neutrality, He is Opposed by Retiring Premier Venezelos

KING CONSTANTINE ENJOYS POPULARITY

Because of His Attitude During Last Two Balkan Wars, He is Idolized and Retiring Premier Equally Well Liked

[Associated Press Dispatch]

LONDON, March 7.—Greece is apparently at the parting of the ways. The king is exerting his influence to maintain the neutrality of the nation and is opposed by the retiring premier, Venezelos, to whom Greece owes her revival of prosperity. Venezelos has advised the king to select for the new premier, it is said, Zaimis, who, he said, "will follow a policy of neutrality which I hope will not endanger our newly acquired territory."

King Constantine has great popularity on account of the last two Balkan wars. He shares his popularity, however, with Venezelos, who was the moving spirit in the Balkan alliances which united the Balkan states against Turkey.

Germany Makes Threat

PARIS, March 7.—An Athens dispatch to the Havas agency says: "Count Mirbach the German minister informed the diplomatic corps that Austria and Germany would immediately declare war on Greece the day that Greece moved against Turkey. The Turkish minister Salih Bey declared openly the last few days that massacres would take place in Turkey if Greece broke with the Porte."

King Constantine accepted the resignation of Premier Venezelos, and has requested M. Zaimis, governor of the national bank, to form a ministry. Zaimis asked the king to give him until tomorrow to consult with friends.

This morning when the king accompanied by Premier Venezelos, left the cathedral where the Te Deum on the anniversary of the taking of Jerusalem was celebrated, he and the Premier were acclaimed by the crowds, indicating the perfect accord of the nation in pursuance of traditions. The newspaper La Patrie says: "Greek people have read adoration for the king, believing he will safeguard the nation's rights and lead to victory."

The Reuters correspondent says the grand council of former Greek premiers summoned by the king met on Sunday afternoon. The king presided. M. Venezelos and the former premiers of Dragoumis, of Theotokis and Rallis and General Doumanis, chief of staff, also attended. Venezelos declared "our party will refuse to support any government which may be formed."

Besides M. Zaimis, if he forms a cabinet, will not come before the chamber. An immense crowd cheered him on leaving the palace.

Greek Officers Recalled

GENEVA, March 7.—All Greek army officers in Switzerland were recalled on Saturday and other Greeks of military age must present themselves at the offices of the consular general at Geneva before March 11. A general mobilization of the Greek army is expected by many here.

SOUTHERN HOLLAND BATTLE

[Associated Press Dispatch]

NEW YORK, March 7.—The Russians report a great battle on in Southern Holland. Berlin reports the capture of 5,400 prisoners and sixteen machine guns from the Russians in the Rawa region. The Russians declare they are repulsing the Germans in North Poland and Paris claims the allies are gaining ground in the Champagne district. Berlin denies this.

WEATHER TODAY

[Associated Press Dispatch]

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Arizona: Rain or snow.

La Touraine Still Afire But In No Immediate Danger

[Associated Press Dispatch]

HAVRE, March 7.—There is no immediate danger of the steamer La Touraine, according to a wireless from Captain Caussin. The ship has a fire in one hold but is continuing her journey to Havre escorted by the steamer Rotterdam. The officers hope to get control of the fire. The weather is good, but foggy. There is hope now of docking on Monday night. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Several Paris newspapers suggest the fire was started by spies concealed aboard the vessel. The Rotterdam is the only ship asked to stand by the La Touraine as a precaution, although a fleet of ships responded to the wireless call for help. For a while it was feared it might be necessary to transfer the passengers to the other ship, but the idea was abandoned when the captain saw the blaze was being mastered.